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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: : Kevin R. Smith, et al.  
Serial No. : 09/579,954  
Filed : May 26, 2000  
For : QUALITY OF SERVICE BASED TRANSITIONING  
BETWEEN ALTERNATE TRANSPORT PATHS  
Group No. : 2667  
Examiner : K.B. Yao

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed June 10, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests a two (2) month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action. The response period is presently set to expire on September 10, 2004, and if this Request for Extension of Time is granted, the new response date will be November 10, 2004.

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of June 10, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: